

## REISSUE PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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	<i>First Named Inventor</i>	<b>Todd A. Merritt</b>
	<i>Original Patent Number</i>	<b>5,983,314</b>
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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

1.  \* Fee Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/56)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2.  Specification and Claims (amended, if appropriate)
3.  Drawing(s) (proposed amendments, if appropriate)
4.  Reissue Oath / Declaration (original or copy)
5.  Original U.S. Patent
6.  Offer to Surrender Original Patent  
(37 C.F.R. § 1.178)
7.  Ribboned Original Patent Grant
8.  Or  Affidavit / Declaration of Loss
9.  Original U.S. Patent currently assigned?

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Written Consent of all Assignees

37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement  Power of Attorney

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

7.  Foreign Priority Claim (35 U.S.C. 119)  
*(if applicable)*

8.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449  Copies of IDS Citations

9.  English Translation Document *(if applicable)*

10.  Small Entity Statement(s)  Statement filed in prior application,  
Status still proper and desired

11.  Preliminary Amendment

12.  Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)

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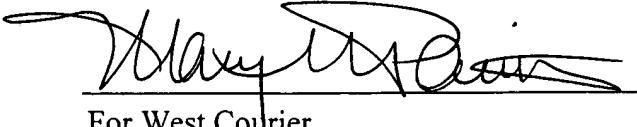
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OFFER TO SURRENDER THE ORIGINAL PATENT

Sir:

Michael L. Lynch, Chief Patent Counsel of the Assignee of the entire interest in U.S. Letters Patent No. 5,983,314 which is entitled OUTPUT BUFFER HAVING INHERENTLY PRECISE DATA MASKING and issued on November 9, 1999 to Micron Technology, Inc., hereby offers to surrender said Letters Patent.

Micron Technology, Inc.

Date

By: \_\_\_\_\_

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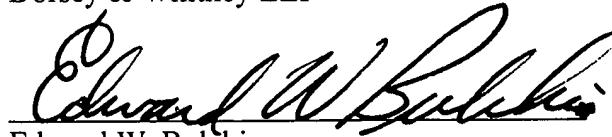
FILING FORMAL DRAWINGS IN REISSUE APPLICATION

Sir:

Enclosed are the drawings from the original file of U.S. Patent No. 5,983,314 to be used for the reissue application of U.S. Patent No. 5,983,314. There are no changes in the drawings for the reissue application.

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